

As it is already presented by Mr. Brink, we have good experience in restoration and rehabilitation of degraded lands and ecosystems.

Ethiopia declared the green economy strategy called Climate-Resilient Green Economy (CRGE) based on pillars that include:

- improving crop and livestock production practices to increase food yields, hence food security and farmer income, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions,
- Protecting and re-habilitating forests for their economic and ecosystem services, such as carbon stocks

For Ethiopia, green growth is a necessity as well as an opportunity to be seized. It is an opportunity to realize Ethiopia's huge potential in renewable energy and a necessity so as to arrest agro-ecological degradation that threatens our rich biological resources.

Rehabilitation of degraded lands using the area exclosure approaches and watershed management activities are key areas where we have achieved significant results.